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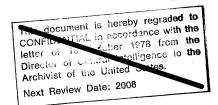
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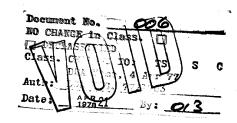
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The secret adviser to the Russians on oil questions in Austria is Dr. Karl Fridl, who resides at Werthenburggasse 3a, Vienna XII. Fridl, an expert austrian geologist, worked for years before and during World War II for a Viennese oil firm. He is suspected of having belonged to the illegal Nazi Party before the 1938 Anschluss. He takes great care to conceal his connections with the Russians from Austrians and from the other occupying powers.

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